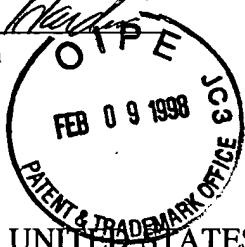


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)
Barone *et al.*) Examiner: N. A. Musto
Application No.: 08/574,461) Art Unit: 1818
Filed: November 30, 1995) AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR
For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS) RECONSIDERATION PURSUANT TO
FOR MONITORING POLYMER) 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
ARRAY SYNTHESIS)
)

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 5, 1997, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Attached herewith are the following documents:

- (1) A petition to extend the period for response for 3 months, from November 5, 1997 to February 5, 1998 (in triplicate).
- (2) A courtesy copy of the pending claims as amended.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

Please amend claim 2 as follows without prejudice to subsequent renewal.

- [Signature]*
2. (amended) The method of claim 1, wherein each of the labeled polymers [comprise] comprises a single isomer.

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Appn. No.: 08/574,461

Filed: 11/30/95

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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR MONITORING POLYMER ARRAY SYNTHESIS

THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Enclosed is a petition to extend time to respond.
 Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
 A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

If any extension of time is needed, then this response should be considered a petition therefor.

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